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THE COAL LAND CASES.

The Herald of yesterday contained an

in a suit brought, or to be brought, by the national administration through the attorney-general, unless it is Republican politics. Every move made in the preliminary investigation of the alleged coal-lands frauds has been directed by a Republican, approved by a served by a Republican, approved by a served by a Republican, approved by a served Republican president and is still in the hands of the legal fraternity as if Hunter, Lewis Perry, Archie Browning and Jessie Richards of Ogden, Lester Squires, Alonzo Browning and David can figure Democratic politics out of fend them. an unadorned report of legal proceedings under such auspices is beyond

will be loath to believe that they will- cede and attempted to influence the fully acquiesced in anything improper result of a hearing by allegations which or unlawful. According to The Herald's they probably knew could not be proved information, the allegations which re- in open court. fer to the land board leave room for

In the present state of the case, The

Walter Frewen Lord, the English crit- ice by reprimanding them. the great novelist for lampoons of the HIGHER PRICED SEALSKINS. ic, dwells at length on the weakness of upper classes of his countrymen. "Mr. Thackeray, the apostle of mediocrity," says the critic, "did not in so many ways enjoin midding ways of thought and life. He adopted a far more dextry, pursued excellence, fastened on it, under foot."

Doesn't that describe exactly the plan of campaign followed by Thackeray's much less able successors on this side of the water? Look over the personal or general literature of the last five years which has found widest currency and you will note that successful prominence is reason enough for vicious assaults by the magazine writers and pseudo authors of purpose novels. Let a man show excellence of achievement. accomplish some great work, lift himself out of the commonplace and he immediately becomes the target for

open or covert assault at their hands. These writers stand open to the same indictment Mr. Lord launches at Thackeray's works; they preach the glorification of the mediocre; to them prominence is a crime, success must be due to ignoble means and leadership is the evidence of baseness. Scarcely a man in public or private life who has come up out of the commonplace has escaped the ridicule or worse of the tation was safe once he permitted tion is drifting in that direction. himself to attempt public service, even in the humblest office. The higher his place of honor, the more vicious the campaign against him, until the most optimistic citizen wondered whether it season for a brief while, provided would be possible longer to get men of ability to serve at all under such cir-

doctrine of the commonplace would exclude all but men of small attainments from civic office and leave government in the hands of men who, if not actu- germ of fatigue and an antidote for it ally incompetent would still be incap- A good many need the antidote.

able of properly administering large af-

Happily for the American people they have too much good sense to tolof public opinion is swinging back to the belief that every man is entitled to be judged on his merits, whether he be prominent or inconspicuous, rich or poor, able or commonplace. The literature of the mediocre is losing ground and in its place will come the literature of high ideals, of just judgment.

The marriage of Miss Clella McCready and David A. Nelsen took place yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCready. Rev. D. A. Brown of the First Baptist church officiated. Miss M. Nelsen acted as maid of honor, and Claude Williams was best man. The flower girls were Ida and Gladys Davis. The marriage was attended only by relatives and a few friends. After the ceremony there was a reception from 3 to 5 o'clock. erate such a theory and the pendulum

the whole country knows, Taggart was made defendant in suits brought by the attorney-general of Indiana for the appointment of a temporary receiver of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson left at 6 o'clock for Ogden, where they will be guests at a dinner given in their honor by friends and relatives there. From Ogden they leave for Portland and San Francisco on a six weeks' wedding tour. Taggart's hotel property on the ground

ing his demurrer the judge grew sar-castice when he referred to this prase of the subject, apologizing ironically for referring to it at all. It happens that the attorneys in the Thaw case have been doing exactly the same thing. The Herald of yesterday contained an interesting and exclusive report of the government's plan for the recovery of coal lands which the department of justice believes were acquired by illegal means. The report was confined to verified information, but some of the men most interested are quoted as saying they believe there is politics in the procedure because some of the individuals concerned happen to be Republicans who formerly held state office.

Manifestly there can be no politics in a suit brought, or to be brought, by

They have publicly done all they could to convict Stanford White, Thaw's victory in the calendary victory of almost every crime in the calendar, evidently in the hope of manufacturing opinion in Thaw's favor that will make for his acquittal. Some of their alloy Miss Abbie Herman and Miss Virginia Elmer. The decorations here were white sweet peas, Miss Lulu Penrose presided. Punch was served from a booth in the hall by Miss Abbie Herman and Miss Virginia Elmer. The decorations here were white sweet peas, Miss Lulu Penrose presided. Punch was served from a booth in the hall by Miss Abbie Herman and Miss Virginia Elmer. The decorations here were white sweet peas, Miss Lulu Penrose presided. Punch was served from a booth in the hope of manufacturing opinion in Thaw's favor that will make for his acquittal. Some of their days are vidently in the hope of manufacturing opinion in Thaw's favor that will make for his acquittal. Some of their days are vidently in the hope of manufacturing opinion in Thaw's favor that will make for his acquittal. Some of their days are vidently in the calendary will be sweet peas, Miss Lulu Penrose presided. Punch was served from a booth in the hall by Miss Abbie Herman and Miss Virginia Elmer. The decoration white sweet peas, Miss Lulu Penrose presided. Punch was served from a booth in the hall by Miss Abbie Herman and Miss Virginia Elmer. The decoration white sweet peas, Miss Lulu Penrose presided. Punch was served from a booth in the hall by Miss Abbie Herman and Mi They have publicly done all they could

Thaw committed murder, and he will ers. be given every opportunity through his

Still another conspicuous instance is the Hartje divorce suit being tried in Pittsburg, in which the lawyers on both As to the merits of the case or its outcome speculation would be wholly improper. Residents of Utah who know the members of the state land board which handled the entries referred to, handled the entries referred to, yers violated their own profesisonal

Quite as reprehensible is the custom the inference that the entries might of utilizing courts for the gratification have been passed by carelessness in of personal and political grudges-a administration of the board's affairs, practice which seems to have found exbut that question is altogether unde- pression in the Taggart case. Every the day, week or month. For particutermined and cannot be settled until lawyer knows the injury that can be lars telephone 3022 Ind., 3087-Z Bell. which cannot be sustained by evidence. Herald has no concern as to its politi- Being privileged matter, such allegacal bearing or any other bearing except as it may be news to which Hercept as it may be news to which Hercepted by an unthinking public as 2590—John S. L. Hermanson, Salt Lake. 2591—Frank Taylor, Eureka. cept as it may be news to which Herald readers are entitled; and which they always get.

THE WORSHIP OF MEDIOCRITY.

Literary history, like secular chronicles repeats itself with curious insistence, and present-day lucubrations of ling to use methods that are a disthe essayists and novelists are furnish- grace to the profession. In such cases ing a demonstration of the fact. In a the judge who rebukes them is doing critical review of Thackeray's work, his calling honor and the public a serv-

Every day the price of living seems to be increasing. It has been only a few months since the cost of diamonds inbe increasing. It has been only a few months since the cost of diamonds in creased by a considerable percentage. The the wake of the diamond raise follows the wake of the diamond raise follows. trous and telling plan of campaign. He lowed additions to the cost of rubies, carried the war into the enemies' councious stones. Month after month, year flung vitriol in its face and trampled it after year it has been harder for the common people to purchase works of art by famous masters. Little by little such necessary articles as cloisonne vases, hand-painted china, cut glass. jade ornaments and the like have been creeping beyond the reach of the poor

Now comes the finishing stroke. An international agreement by the terms of which no seals are to be killed for a whole year is said to have been reached. This notwithstanding the fact that it is admitted that the action will have the effect of boosting the price of sealskin cloaks, coats, muffs and boas. Could anything be more unfortunate? Is it not certain that plenty of people are going to suffer severely next winter? It is perhaps true that sealskin garments will still be within the reach of everybody, but it is also true that to get them from now on many people will have to deny themselves such necessaries as diamond ornaments, pearl necklaces and bracelets of rubies.

First thing anybody knows it will be possible to find in a single block in some part of Salt Lake as many as two commonplace worshippers, and in no or three homes in which there are no place has the demoralizing effect of sealskin coats. We don't like to be their plan of campaign been felt so pessimistic about the matter, and permuch as in public life. Until lately haps we do take too gloomy a view, but when a reaction began, no man's repu- we are very much afraid that the na-

With Roosevelt in retirement, 1000t on the high seas and Taft playing golf, the nation ought to have a fairly restful Roosevelt will "stay put."

There's at least one day in the month when the motorcar owner is not to be Carried to its logical conclusion the envied; that's the day the garage bills

A scientist of note is looking for the

SOCIETY

and in its place will come the literature of high ideals, of just judgment and recognition of worth.

TRYING CASES IN PRINT.

Judge Buskirk, who heard the Taggart cases in Indiana, called attention to a growing practice among lawyers of trying their cases in the press. As

of trying their cases in the press. As refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson left at 6 o'clock for

that gambling was permitted by the owners of the property. Counsel for both sides were interviewed at length and practically attacked the good faith of the proceedings on both sides before the case was brought into court for trial.

In finding for Taggart and sustain—

Miss Mae Price and Ernest Urien were married yesterday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Price. The ceremony was performed by Apostle Orson F. Whitney. At the entrance of the bride and the groom the Mendelssohn "Wedding March" was played and during the ceremony the "Spring Song." The music was rendered by Miss Irene Kelley at the piano and Miss Davis with the violin. The bride wore an English veil and a gown of chiffon over silk and was unattended.

white sweet peas.

After the ceremony a reception was given, attended by about a hundred friends of the young couple. In the dining room, which was decorated with pink

Webster Cary was in Salt Lake yesterday but he will leave tomorrow for a trip before returning to school.

Miss Pearl Weiler has left for Glenwood

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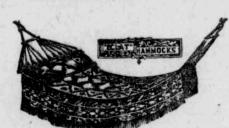
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